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In re application of:

GARCIA, FELIPE, ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/030,518

Filed: FEBRUARY 23, 1998

For: LINE CHARGE CONNECTOR

Examiner: J. HOWELL

Art Unit: 3641

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above identified application became "abandoned for failure to timely pay the required issue fee" within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of March 2, 1999. Abandonment was issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on July 24, 2000.

The Office of Patent Counsel at the U.S. Navy's Coastal Systems Station, Panama City, Florida replied to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due of 3/2/99 with the Issue Fee Transmittal signed by Harvey A. Gilbert, the Attorney of Record, and dated 4/6/99. Certificate of Mailing was signed by Brenda Phillips, Legal Assistant for the Office of Patent Counsel, dated 4/6/99. A copy of this documentation is enclosed. Also enclosed is a copy of this office's Patent Activity Log verifying that this action was taken. This indicates that the issue fee in the amount of \$1210.00 was sent to the USPTO on 4/6/99.

With this information, it appears that the Issue Fee

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Transmittal was lost in the mail between the Coastal Systems Station and the USPTO. Petitioners respectfully request that the subject patent application be revived and accepted for examination.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the Navy's Charge Account No. 50-0833 in the amount of \$110.00 for Petition to Revive Unavoidable Abandoned Application and \$1210.00 for Issue Fee for a total of \$1320.00.

Respectfully submitted,



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See 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.27 and 1.28.**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)** 1320.00**Complete if Known**

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First Named Inventor	Garcia, Felipe et al.
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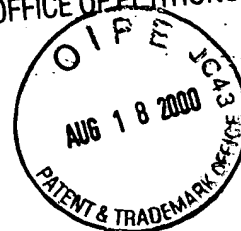


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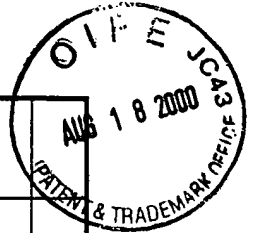
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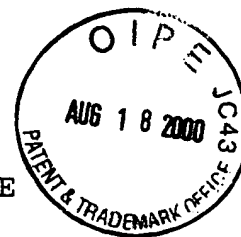
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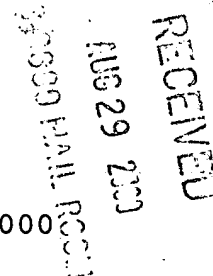
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